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existence of God by the use of the modern scientific method of investigation and inductive reasoning. From man's religious experience the author infers the existence of an objective "cosmic mind," which works through man's subconscious self in the regulation of organic, nervous, physical, social, psychical, and spiritual growth with purposeful activity. This cosmic mind is God, and the end to be attained "the perfection of the mind of the total human personality as a social unit." Perhaps the scientist would hardly go as far as Mr. Heermance in saying that "as the physical universe exists for the solar system, the solar system exists for our planet. Man would then become the central fact in the plan and purpose of the universe." Nevertheless, the modern preacher of every denomination should find in the pages of *The Unfolding Universe* many scientific facts in a new setting, many philosophical truths in a new light, and many valuable suggestions for new lines of thought.

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THE PHILOSOPHY OF FAITH. BERTRAM BREWSTER. Longmans, Green, & Co. 1913. Pp. 201. \$1.20.

The author of this work maintains the position that the logical faculty or understanding has its legitimate place and function in life but does not cover the whole of life, and particularly is it inadequate to deal with the deeper experiences in the philosophic grasp of truth, the aesthetic appreciation of beauty, and the ethical and religious love of the good. The world of life is greater than the realm of rationalism. He endeavors to give us a philosophy of faith. Philosophy finds that there are psychological and social causes of faith. Instinct, impulse, and experience play their part in its creation. The grounds of faith are thus psychologically well established. It is the task of philosophy to criticise this faith, to modify it, to purify it, and to relate it to the whole content of religious experience and the ordered world. Considerable stress is laid on the voluntary nature of faith and the obligation to cherish it. With such a conception of his task the author discusses in successive chapters such ideas as truth, virtue, freedom, beauty, and the highest good. The book is a good type of the more thoughtful popular philosophical treatise, which makes it appeal to persons who have an intelligent interest in the greatest subjects of thought; and to such the book may be commended.

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